



**COLONEL (R) DAVID TAYLOR**

**Colonel (R) David Taylor is presented the 2023 Robert NETT Award based on outstanding and conspicuous contribution to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Battalion 11<sup>th</sup> Infantry, the US Army Officer Candidate School (OCS) and the US Army Officer Candidate School Alumni Association (USAOCSAA).**

**On his own initiative, Dave personally developed and organized the funding of a significant monument for OCS Class 509-68 worth over \$60,000 honoring their cadre and each member of the class with special recognition for their Vietnam War KIAs. He was personally generous and led his OCS Class 509-68 to provide financial support in the sum of \$8,300 for the initial startup of the OCS Memorial Walk Project. He also organized and hosted a Dedication Ceremony of the OCS Class 509-68 monument.**

**Also, on his own initiative, Dave personally developed and organized the funding of a significant monument for OCS Class 6-68 worth over \$27,000 honoring their cadre and each member of the class with special recognition for their Vietnam War KIAs. He also organized a mini reunion and Dedication Ceremony of the OCS Class 6-68 monument. (Which had to be Cancelled due COVID HP-CON B on FBGA)**

**He is Currently the USAOCSAA VP-Operations. He has been instrumental in the continuous improvement of the OCS Web Site. Which Includes the digitization and display of a significantly large number of OCS yearbooks and other Artifacts. He is managing The USAOCSAA Chapter program which has seen a doubling of new Chapters. He is working hard to integrate Graduates of the ARNG OCS into USAOCSAA. Dave developed and published two**

**OCS annual report and OCS Historical Calendar. He also established the USAOCSAA OHIO Chapter and purchased a monument for the Chapter to be placed in the OCS Memorial Walk.**

**He is a member of the U.S. Army Officer Candidate School Hall of Fame, Distinguished Member of the 11<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, Order of ST Maurice. He received the Americal (23rd) Infantry Division Veterans Association Lifetime Achievement Award. He was the Medina County Ohio Joint Veterans Coalition Veteran of the Year in 2016. He is a member of the State of Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame 2017**

**Dave is active member and fundraiser in many Civic Activities and or Veteran's Advocacy groups which support programs for the well-being of Veterans This includes Annual paying member American Legion Post 202, Medina, Ohio, Life Member – Military Order of the Purple Heart (National), Life Member – Special Forces Association Northeast Ohio Chapter XXXV, Life Member – Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 5137, Medina, Ohio, Life Member – Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Post 72, Medina, Ohio. , Life Member – Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 385, Medina, Ohio and a Life Member of USAOCSAA.**